

Municipal Clerk
Atlanta, Georgia

**AN ORDINANCE
BY THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/
HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE**

UEZ-04-14
04- 0-0653

AN ORDINANCE TO CREATE THE "ST. JOHN'S PLACE HOUSING ENTERPRISE ZONE", TO BE LOCATED AT 545 ST. JOHN'S AVENUE, S.W. (CONSOLIDATED FROM NUMEROUS PARCELS ON ST. JOHN'S AVENUE, S.W. AND ADAMS STREET, S.W.); AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

NPU "X"

COUNCIL DISTRICT 12

WHEREAS an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Georgia was adopted by referendum in November 1982 giving the Council of the City of Atlanta power to create urban enterprise zones in the City of Atlanta; and

WHEREAS enabling legislation known as the Atlanta/Fulton County Urban Enterprise Zone Act was enacted by the Georgia General Assembly and signed by the Governor in March 1983 and subsequently amended; and

WHEREAS the Atlanta/Fulton County Urban Enterprise Zone Act gives the Council of the City of Atlanta the authority to designate areas within the City as urban enterprise zones for housing purposes if certain conditions are met; and

WHEREAS the designation of a housing enterprise zone exempts the taxable value of property within the zone only from ad valorem taxes for City purposes, but the Board of Commissioners of Fulton County, by appropriate resolution, may exempt from ad valorem taxation for County purposes the taxable value of the same property that is exempted by the City; and

WHEREAS certain types of property may be exempted, conditions must be met by owners of private property to qualify for an exemption, period, and rate of exemptions, and elections may be made by the Atlanta City Council among various types of exemptions which are specified by State law; and

WHEREAS State law provides that an exemption from ad valorem taxation for City purposes also includes, but is not limited to, school and educational purposes; and

WHEREAS the City of Atlanta Development Impact Fee Ordinance provides that, under certain conditions, the City may exempt development in urban enterprise zones from the requirement to pay development impact fees; and

WHEREAS it is the expressed intent of the Atlanta City Council to use urban enterprise zone legislation as an incentive to generate private investment in areas of the City which otherwise might not attract such investments for commercial construction and job creation purposes; and

WHEREAS the conditions and qualifications of the Atlanta/Fulton County Urban Enterprise Zone Act, as amended, have been met relative to the creation of the proposed "St. John's Place Housing Enterprise Zone".

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA, HEREBY ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: It is found by the Council of the City of Atlanta that the area in and around the property that would be designated as the "St. John's Place Housing Enterprise Zone" is economically and socially depressed. It is further found that areas such as this contribute to or cause unemployment, create an inordinate demand for public services and, in general, have a deleterious effect on the public health, safety, welfare, and morals. It is further found that these areas, as is the case with the property that would be designated as the "St. John's Place Housing Enterprise Zone", are characterized by having no investment or under-investment by private enterprise in ventures which produce jobs, trade, provision of services, and economic activities which individually and together contribute to a healthy society. This lack of private investment and activity contributes to social and economic depression in such areas. Therefore, it is in the public interest that incentives be provided to private enterprise to invest in such areas, and that such private enterprise place priority upon the employment of those residents in those economically- and socially-depressed areas designated herein as urban enterprise zones.

Section 2: The "St. John's Place Housing Enterprise Zone" is hereby created for the subject property at, 545 St. John's Avenue, SW (consolidated from numerous parcels on St. John's Avenue, SW and Adams Street, SW. The property contains 2.808 acres of land and includes the following tax Parcel Code Numbers (PCNs): T14-0090-0001-046-49, T14-0009-0001-046-71, T14-0090-0001-046-75, T14-0090-0001-046-81, T14-0090-0001-046-87, & T14-0090-0001-046-91 (consolidated from 14-0090-0003-011, 14-0090-0003-012, 14-0090-0003-013, 14-0090-0003-014, 14-0090-0003-015, 14-0090-0003-019, 14-0090-0003-020, 14-0090-0003-021, 14-0090-0003-022, 14-0090-0003-023, 14-0090-0003-024, 14-0090-0003-025, 14-0090-0003-026, 14-0090-0003-037, 14-0090-0003-065, & 14-0090-0003-066). The effective date of all exemptions established therein shall be January 1, 2005. The "St. John's Place Housing Enterprise Zone" shall be abolished on December 31, 2004. The "St. John's Place Housing Enterprise Zone" shall otherwise not be abolished except as provided in State law. A legal description and map of the "St. John's Place Housing Enterprise Zone" are attached hereto as Exhibit "A", are made a part hereof, and shall be on file in the Bureau of Planning and the Office of the Municipal Clerk.

Section 3. The "St. John's Place Housing Enterprise Zone" shall be developed as a residential development project, which shall consist of for-sale single-family residential units. The project shall be developed in four phases and shall contain 24,700 total square feet of building space. In accordance with the requirements for housing enterprise zones, 4 (21percent) of the total 19 housing units would be designated as being "affordable" (for moderate-income residents), which would exceed the required minimum of 20 percent.

Section 4. The development of the "St. John's Place Housing Enterprise Zone" shall meet or exceed the "housing affordability requirements" for urban enterprise zone designation that are defined in City Code Sections 146-52(2)a.1, 146-52(2)a.2, and 146-52(2)a.3 (per approved Ordinance #03-O-1695), which are provided below. The "St. John's Place Housing Enterprise Zone" shall consist of 19 total units, of which all 19 units shall be three-bedroom units (100%). The "St. John's Place Housing Enterprise Zone" shall designate 4 of the proposed 19 total units (21%) as being "affordable", which is generally equivalent to the required minimum housing affordability provision of 20 percent of the 19 total units (4 units). Compared to the minimum housing affordability requirement of 4 total units, to which the ratio of 100 percent for three-bedroom units (100 units) is applied, the "St. John's Place Housing Enterprise Zone" shall des-

designate 4 three-bedroom units as being "affordable", which meets housing affordability requirements by bedroom composition.

City Code Section 146-52(2)a.1. Twenty percent of the total units to be provided shall reflect the same ratio of housing type and bedroom composition that is proposed throughout the zone, and shall be within the ability to pay of those households whose annual income does not exceed 60 percent of the median family income for the Atlanta metropolitan statistical area as most recently published by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), and as adjusted for household size in accordance with HUD procedures.

City Code Section 146-52(2)a.2. Twenty percent of the units for sale shall reflect the same ratio of housing type and bedroom composition that is proposed throughout the zone, and shall bear purchase prices which do not exceed two and one-fifth times the median family income for the Atlanta metropolitan statistical area as most recently published by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development.

City Code Section 146-52(2)a.3. Twenty percent of the units for rent, if any, shall reflect the same ratio of housing type and bedroom composition that is proposed throughout the zone, and shall bear monthly rents which do not exceed 30 percent of the low-income level defined in section 146-52(2)a.1 or, in the case of rental housing units that are being financed through federal low-income housing tax credits, said units shall bear monthly rents which do not exceed the maximum rents prescribed in Section 42, internal Revenue Service Code, based upon the low-income level defined in section 146-52(2)a.1.

Section 5: The Municipal Clerk is hereby directed to transmit a copy of this Ordinance as well as the legal description of the "St. John's Place Housing Enterprise Zone" to the Tax Commissioner of Fulton County, to the Commissioner of the Department of Community Affairs of the State of Georgia, and to the Superintendent of the Atlanta Board of Education immediately upon the approval by the Mayor of the City of Atlanta.

Section 6: That all ordinances and parts of ordinances that are in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

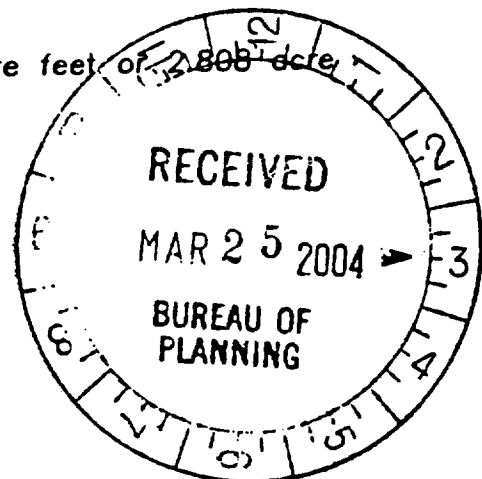
EXHIBIT "A"
Legal Description

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All that parcel of land lying or being in Land Lot 90, 14th District, City of Atlanta, Fulton County, Georgia, being part of a survey for the Norsouth Corporation by C & C Land Surveyors, Inc. dated July 7, 2003, last revised March 11, 2004 and more particularly described as follows:

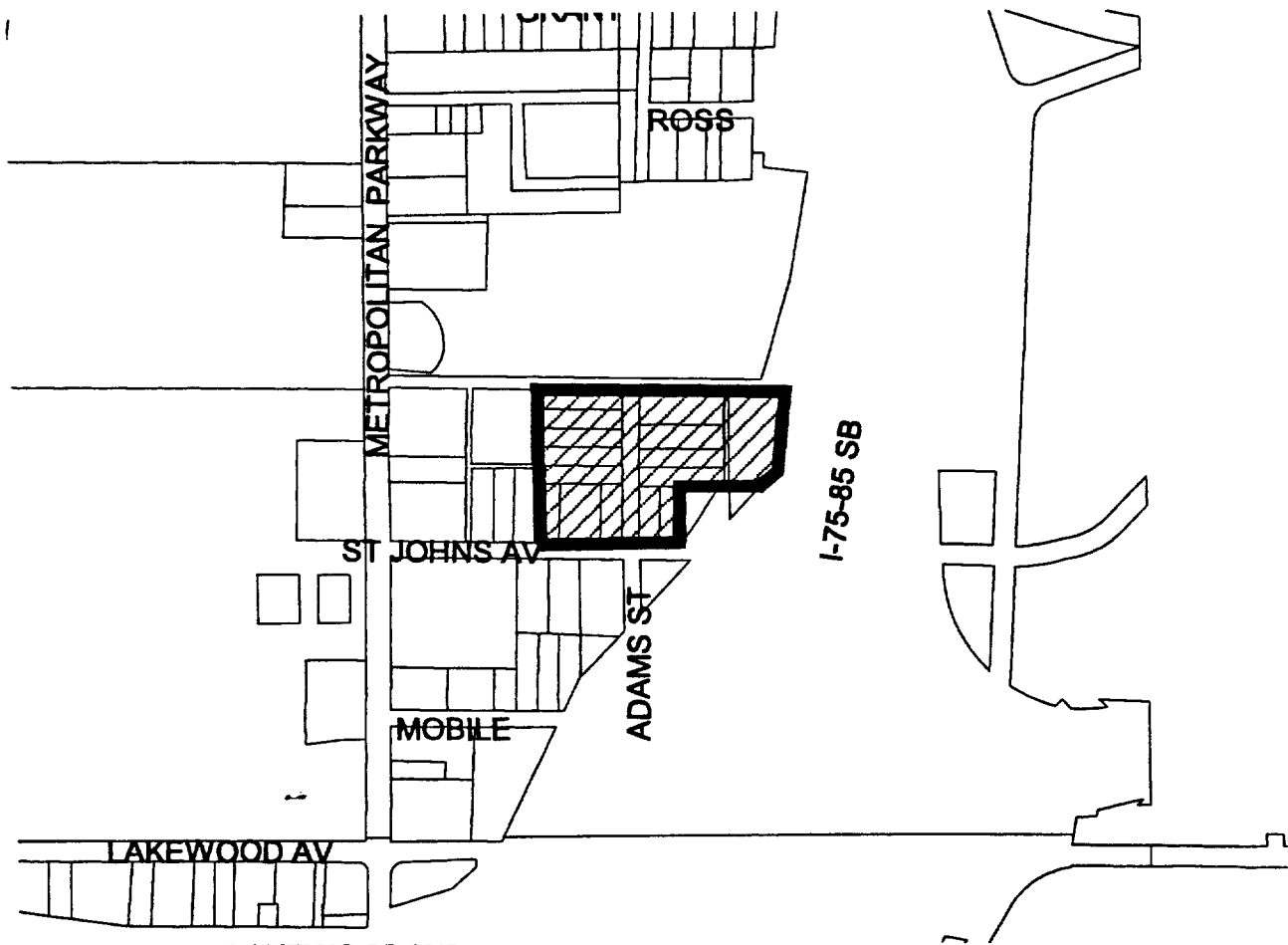
Begin at a point on the north right-of-way of St Johns Avenue located 461.87 feet east from the intersection of the north right-of-way of St. Johns Avenue (40-foot right-of-way) and the east right-of-way of Metropolitan Avenue (60-foot right-of-way); Thence leaving the right-of-way St. Johns Avenue North 00 degrees 30 minutes 58 seconds East a distance of 381.78 feet to a point; Thence South 88 degrees 55 minutes 43 seconds East a distance of 412.34 feet to a point on the northwest right-of-way of Interstate Highway 75 and 85; Thence along the northwesterly right-of-way of interstate Highway 75 and 85 South 18 degrees 03 minutes 14 seconds West a distance of 12.55 feet to a point; Thence continuing along the right-of-way of interstate Highway 75 and 85 South 19 degrees 24 minutes 12 seconds West a distance of 186.41 feet to a point; Thence continuing along the northwesterly right-of-way of interstate Highway 75 and 85 South 31 degrees 07 minutes 33 seconds West a distance of 42.03 feet to a point; Thence leaving the right-of-way of interstate Highway 75 and 85 North 89 degrees 55 minutes 00 seconds West a distance of 81.72 feet to a point; Thence South 01 degrees 16 minutes 23 seconds West a distance of 140.66 feet to a point at the intersection of the northwest right-of-way of Interstate Highway 75 and 85 and the north right-of-way of St Johns Avenue; Thence along the north right-of-way of St Johns Avenue North 88 degrees 55 minutes 43 seconds West a distance of 504.62 feet to Point of Beginning.

Said parcel of land contains 122,338 square feet of land.



ST. JOHN 'S PLACE HOUSING ENTERPRISE ZONE

TO BE LOCATED ON SITE THAT IS TO BE CONSOLIDATED FROM 16 PARCELS THAT
THAT ARE LOCATED AT 523, 527 533, 545,
556, & 549 ST. JOHNS AV. SW AND 1971, 1975
1976, 1981, 1984, 1987, 1988, 1991, 1992, &
2033 ADAMS STREET, SW. DISTRICT 14
LAND LOT 90 . COUNCIL DISTRICT 12, NPU- "X".



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□ Npu-x-parcels
▬ Npu-x-streets.

PROJECT CHECKLIST FOR UEZ-04-14:
Proposed "St. John's Place Housing Enterprise Zone"
To be Located at 545 St. John's Avenue, SW (consolidated from numerous parcels
On St. John's Avenue, SW and Adams Street, SW)

CRITERION	REQUIRED	PROPOSED	COMPLIANCE
1. Eligibility Criteria:	<u>Must Meet 3 of the 4 Criteria:</u>		
a. Evidence of Pervasive Poverty	a. Poverty rate of $\geq 20\%$ for the Census Block Group.	a. Poverty rate of 25% for Census Block Group 1 of Census Tract 75 (per the 2000 Census), which is more than the required minimum of 20%.	√
b. Unemployment	b. Unemployment: (1) Census Tract having at least 10% higher than the State Average; OR (2) Significant Job Loss, to be documented by the applicant.	b. Unemployment: (1) Census Tract 75 has an unemployment rate of 4.2%, which is less than 10% higher than the 2002 annual State Average of 5.1%. (2) Significant job loss is undetermined.	
c. General Distress	c. General Distress: (1) Police Beat crime rate of $\geq 20\%$ compared to the Police Zone; OR (2) Vacant and/or Dilapidated Structures, or Deteriorated Infrastructure, based on documented proof of existing abandoned and/or dilapidated structures within one block of the project area, or deteriorated infrastructure.	c. General Distress: (1) Police beat 304 has a crime rate of 22% of the crime rate of police zone 3, thus the high crime requirement is met. (2)	√
d. Underdevelopment	d. Underdevelopment: The NPU has $\leq 20\%$ of the amount of Development Activity compared to the City as a whole for the proposed type of development.	d. Underdevelopment: NPU "X" had -2% of development activity within the City for residential development, which meets the requirement of $\leq 20\%$.	√

CRITERION	REQUIRED	PROPOSED	COMPLIANCE
2. Acreage	None.	Contains 2.808 acres of land.	√
3. CDP Consistency	CDP Land Use Classification: Designated as "Single-Family Residential." Allowed FAR: Established by zoning district regulations. Determined by the zoning district in which the property is located.	Proposed FAR: 0.202. The "Single-Family Residential" designation has no FAR limits.	√
4. Zoning Compliance	Zoned "RG-4B", per Z-03-57 (no conditions).	Proposed uses are allowed within "RG-4B." The development would have a residential FAR of 0.202.	√
5. Project Specificity	Project-Specific Zone or Areawide Zone.	Project-Specific.	√
6. Project Readiness	≥ 30% of housing units to be initiated in Year 1 of the UEZ.	Applicant certifies that construction of at least 30% of the 19 total units (6) would be initiated in Year 1.	√
7. Non-Displacement	Minimum Displacement	Applicant certifies that current residents would be relocated in accordance with the Uniform Relocation Act (URA) and all applicable regulations of the Urban Residential Finance Authority. A tenant relocation plan has been submitted.	√
8. Affordability	<p><u>City Code Section 146-52(2)a.1.</u> Twenty percent of the total units to be provided shall reflect the same ratio of housing type and bedroom composition that is proposed throughout the zone, and shall be within the ability to pay of those households whose annual income does not exceed 60 percent of the median family income for the Atlanta metropolitan statistical area as most recently published by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), and as adjusted for household size in accordance with HUD procedures.</p> <p><u>City Code Section 146-52(2)a.2.</u> Twenty percent of the units for sale shall reflect the same ratio of housing type and bedroom composition that is proposed throughout the zone, and shall bear purchase prices which do not exceed two and one-fifth times the median</p>	<p>Project would include the following breakdown of affordable housing units, which meets the requirements for urban enterprise zone designation: 19 total units, of which 4 units (21%) would be designated as being "affordable."</p> <p>The project would include all bedroom units. The affordability breakdown by bedroom composition would 4 of the 19 three-bedroom units, which meets the requirements.</p>	√

	<p>family income for the Atlanta metropolitan statistical area as most recently published by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development.</p> <p><u>City Code Section 146-52(2)a.3.</u></p> <p>Twenty percent of the units for rent, if any, shall reflect the same ratio of housing type and bedroom composition that is proposed throughout the zone, and shall bear monthly rents which do not exceed 30 percent of the low-income level defined in section 146-52(2)a.1 or, in the case of rental housing units that are being financed through federal low-income housing tax credits, said units shall bear monthly rents which do not exceed the maximum rents prescribed in Section 42, internal Revenue Service Code, based upon the low-income level defined in section 146-52(2)a.1.</p>		
CRITERION	REQUIRED	PROPOSED	COMPLIANCE
9. Provision for Atlanta Police officers and their families (for housing and mixed-use residential/ commercial enterprise zones)	Five percent of available units to be offered to Atlanta Police officers and their families at purchase prices or monthly rents which do not exceed the low-income level of affordability.	Applicant certifies compliance.	√
10. Job Creation	First Source Jobs Policy	Would not create any fulltime, permanent new jobs.	Not applicable.
11. Financial Feasibility	<p><u>Chief Financial Officer's Statement of Fiscal Impact:</u></p> <p>a. Negative cash flow; OR</p> <p>b. Debt coverage ratio <1.20; OR</p> <p>c. A variable-ratio debt coverage ratio that is equivalent to said fixed-rate ratio, based upon reasonable assumptions as certified.</p>	To be determined by the Bureau of Financial Analysis.	To be determined.

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February 23, 2004

Mr. David H. Dixon, Manager
St. John's Place LP/NS Partners, LLC
c/o Norsouth Corporation
2000 RiverEdge Parkway, Suite 950
Atlanta, Georgia 30328

RE: Processing of Your Submitted Urban Enterprise Zone Application

Dear Mr. Dixon:

This letter serves as notification of several matters pertaining to the urban enterprise zone application that you recently submitted to us as part of Cycle I, 2004.

Receipt of the UEZ Application. We received your Urban Enterprise Zone (UEZ) application for property that is located on a site that is to be consolidated from sixteen parcels that are located at 523, 527, 533, 545, 556, & 549 St. John's Avenue, SW and 1971, 1975, 1976, 1981, 1984, 1987, 1988, 1991, 1992, & 2033 Adams Street, SW. This includes the following tax parcel code numbers (PCNs):

14-0090-0003-026, 14-0090-0003-025, 14-0090-0003-024, 14-0090-0003-019,
14-0090-0003-066, T14-0090-0001-046-49, T14-0009-0001-046-71,
T14-0090-0001-046-75, 14-0090-0003-020, T14-0090-0001-046-81,
14-0090-0003-021, T14-0090-0001-046-87, 14-0090-0003-022,
T14-0090-0001-046-91, 14-0090-0003-023, & 14-0090-0003-065.

You have proposed the creation of the "St. John's Place Housing Enterprise Zone" for the subject property. Your application was assigned the case number of UEZ-04-14. We are reviewing it for completeness and accuracy, and will be contacting you soon (as well as throughout the application review process) by telephone or e-mail concerning any additional information or clarification that we need.

Required NPU Meeting. As part of the UEZ designation process, *you are required to attend a Neighborhood Planning Unit (NPU) meeting.* Your property is located in NPU "X", which

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holds monthly meetings at Zone 3 Mini Precinct, which is located at the Crossroads Shopping Center at 2027 Metropolitan Parkway. ***Your UEZ case is scheduled to be heard by NPU "X" on March 8, 2004. Your attendance is required.*** The NPU "X" meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m. Please attend this meeting (or send a designee) and be prepared to make a presentation and answer any questions concerning your application. The NPU "X" members will vote on your application, with such vote serving as a recommendation to City Council. *Please note that it is possible that NPU "X" members may request that you also attend one or more neighborhood association meetings before or after the NPU "X" meeting. Please contact the NPU "X" Chairperson, Joyce Sheperd, immediately at (404) 758-1194 concerning this. Your non-attendance at such additional meetings likely would result in a deferral by NPU "X", thereby delaying the approval of your UEZ application.*

Required Public Hearing & Optional Committee Meeting. The second required meeting is the UEZ public hearing, which is to be conducted by the City's Community Development/Human Resources (CD/HR) Committee. The public hearing will be held on a Monday night at the end of April or middle of May. We will notify you later of the exact date. Your attendance will be required, and you should be prepared to make a presentation about your UEZ application and to answer any questions. The CD/HR Committee will then vote on your case, most likely on the day after the public hearing. Its vote then becomes a recommendation to City Council.

Creation of the Urban Enterprise Zone. The full City Council will vote on your case after the UEZ public hearing has been held and the CD/HR Committee has made its recommendation. We will notify you later of the exact date of the City Council vote. (Please be aware that if a rezoning, other type of zoning action, subdivision, consolidation, or other action is required for your property, this could delay the review and approval of your application. You are encouraged to pursue these actions as soon as possible.) If the City Council votes to approve your UEZ, the Mayor then is allowed up to eight days in which to sign the ordinance for the creation of your proposed urban enterprise zone. Thereafter, the ordinance becomes law, with or without the Mayor's signature. The new urban enterprise zone would exist for ten years. *You are cautioned that no building construction or renovation activity may begin before the ordinance to create your proposed urban enterprise zone has been adopted by City Council and approved by the Mayor.* However, pre-construction activities, such as demolition, clearance, and infrastructure installation, are allowed before then.

UEZ Tax Abatements. If the urban enterprise zone is approved, tax abatements would be "effective" on your property on January 1 of the year that you requested the enterprise zone to begin. The tax abatements would apply to the new or rehabilitated improvements only (not the land), with some restrictions. *The condition for the receipt of this tax abatement, you may recall, is that the construction or renovation of at least 30 percent of all proposed housing units on the property must be underway by December 31 of the first year for which you requested the enterprise zone to begin.* In general, tax abatements are made on the new improvements or new renovations only, at 100 percent for the first five years. Thereafter, the tax abatements are 80 percent for Years 6 & 7, 60 percent for Year 8, 40 percent for Year 9, and 20 percent for Year 10.

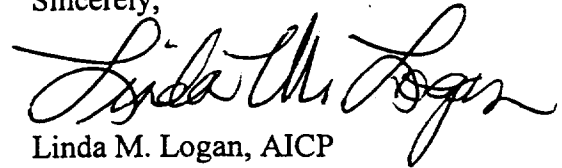
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Thank you for participating in the Urban Enterprise Zone Program. If you have questions regarding any of these matters, please contact me at (404) 330-6637. For further information concerning the NPU meeting, you may contact the NPU/Citizen Participation Coordinator, Wendy Scruggs-Murray, at (404) 330-6899.

Sincerely,



Linda M. Logan, AICP
Principal Planner
Bureau of Planning

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February 26, 2004

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Atlanta, GA 30308

RE: Required Public Hearing for Your Submitted Urban Enterprise Zone Application

Dear Mr. Dixon:

As a follow-up to our February 23, 2004 letter to you, we want to inform you of the date for the required public hearing for your submitted urban enterprise zone application, in which you proposed the creation of the "St. John's Place Housing Enterprise Zone" at a site that is to be consolidated from sixteen parcels that are located at 523, 527, 533, 545, 556, & 549 St. John's Avenue and 1971, 1975, 1976, 1981, 1984, 1987, 1988, 1991, 1992, & 2033 Adams Street, SW. (UEZ-04-14). The public hearing is scheduled for Monday, May 10, 2004, beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers on the Second Floor of City Hall (located at 55 Trinity Avenue). It will be conducted by the Community Development/Human Resources (CD/HR) Committee of City Council. Please be prepared make a presentation about your UEZ application and to answer any questions at the public hearing. No vote will be taken at the public hearing.

We also encourage you to attend the CD/HR Committee meeting to be held on the following day, Tuesday, May 11, 2004, where the CD/HR Committee will vote on your application and make a recommendation to the full City Council. That meeting will be held in Committee Room #2 on the Second Floor of City Hall, beginning at 1:00 p.m. The committee meeting is not required, but is recommended. Please be aware that if a rezoning, other type of zoning action, subdivision, consolidation, or other action is required for your property, this could delay the review and approval of your application. You are encouraged to pursue these actions as soon as possible.

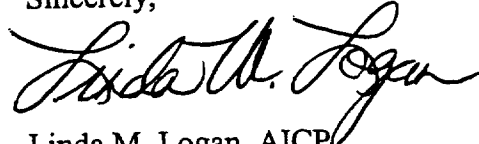
If the CD/HR Committee votes to approve your case on May 11, 2004, then the full City Council would vote on it on May 17, 2004. The Mayor would then be allowed up to eight days in which

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to sign the ordinance for the creation of your proposed urban enterprise zone. Thereafter, the ordinance becomes law, with or without the Mayor's signature.

Thank you for participating in the Urban Enterprise Zone Program. If you have questions regarding any of these matters, please contact me at (404) 330-6637.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Linda M. Logan". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Linda" being the most prominent.

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